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"OLD" RUSSIAN EMIGRATION.

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COMMENT by AB 108: This report presents in a brief, summary form, the political trends within the "old" Russian emigration. Reference report, from a different source, covers the subject in a more detailed manner. General reports of this nature are presumed to be of interest, as the vicissitudes of international relations may some day bring to the forefront the exploitation of this group for our own national interests.

1.-The Second World War brought about a critical split within the ranks of the old Russian emigration. Part of it, for various reasons, appeared within the Bolshevik camp. Those emigrants who joined the Bolshevik camp may be divided into two basic groups, -those who due to military actions found themselves within the Soviet occupied zone, and those who either from fear or through a change of their ideals voluntarily joined the Soviets. This latter category includes the greater part of the so called "Parisian Russians".

If the split is to be examined along political party lines, then it may be said that the moderate democrats, the moderate monarchists, and the old military personnel of the White Russian Armies, remained, as a whole clear of the Soviet orbit. It is interesting to note that it was the extreme rightists and the extreme leftists who most easily fell into the Soviet camp. The Rightists were attracted by the tremendous Soviet military victories, the territorial gains of "Mother Russia", as well as the "grandiose imperial international affairs policy" of Stalin. They closed their eyes on the NEVD and the Comintern. The Leftists had an easier time in changing their former ideals. They recognized the difference between eastern "democracy" and that which is only typical of the west.

2.-Besides the wholesale exitus of the ELABOROSOVs and the Union of Soviet Patriots members to the Soviet camp, hundreds of formerly well known emigrant "leaders" joined the Soviet orbit. Some of the better known ones are: - Prof. BERNYAKI, one of the best modern Russian philosophers; Prof. R. ABLETSKI, as theological Prof. R. BERNYAKI Metropolitan SYDOVITSKI, former diplomat KALLISOV, professor of economics A.P. MARKOV, engineer

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In Berlin the following "old" emigrants have joined the Soviets (and have decided to join the Russian officers, RYKOVOV, LITVINOV, INDULHOV). In Nice, France, BOGOMOLYEVICH and POSNOVSKI, who worked for the Union of Soviet Patriots, in French colonies I know that TULAKOV, PEOROV and Alexander PRIBRATOV, residing at MONTRO, have joined the Soviets.

The completion of the names of former White Russian emigrants who have joined the Soviets after the second World War, presents a prolonged study in itself.